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In re Application of :
Williams, et al. :
Application No. 10/602,268 : ON PETITION
Filed: August 6, 2007 :
Attorney Docket No. 12557-011001 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed on August 6, 2007, and again on September 24, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

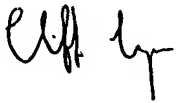
The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to the final Office action mailed January 22, 2007. This Office action set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No proper reply having been received, the application became abandoned on April 23, 2007. The mailing of this decision precedes the mailing of a Notice of Abandonment.

On petition, petitioner paid the petition fee and made the proper statement of unintentional delay. Petitioner submitted an Amendment, together with a Notice of Appeal. The examiner has determined that the Amendment did not *prima facie* place the application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Notice of Appeal has been entered.

Please be advised that the two month period for filing an appeal brief (accompanied by the fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(c)) runs from the date of this decision.

The matter is being returned to Group Art Unit 1652 to await for applicant's submission of the appeal brief.

Telephone inquiries specific to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.

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